Port of Newburgh Fact Sheet

Through the construction of a bulkhead, the Port of Newburgh would be re-created through a private/public partnership involving Steelways, Inc. and the City of Newburgh.



Conceptual rendering of the future Port of Newburgh. Photo courtesy of Steelways, Inc.

Concept:

- \$16.5 million Project Cost including \$3 million payroll
- Partnership: Steelways and City of Newburgh
- Commitment from all to use Local Trades
- Commitment to employ/provide training of Newburgh city residents

History of Site: Renewal

- The Port of Newburgh lies on the west bank of the Hudson River in Orange County, New York.
- The Port of Newburgh is about 62 nautical miles upriver (58 miles) from the Port of New York.
- Port of Newburgh will be the only river and rail convergence between New York City and Albany.
- Early Newburgh grew as a river port. Port of Newburgh was part of the whaling boom of the 1800s, and it was a ferry landing for coal brought from Pennsylvania.
- The first European to arrive in the Port of Newburgh was Henry Hudson who sailed up the river and entered Newburgh Bay in 1609.
- In the early 20th Century, the Port of Newburgh supported ship-building yards and shipping-related companies, machine shops, brickyards, cloth manufacturers, plaster works, and clothing design enterprises.

About Steelways

Steelways/Steel Style Inc. was re-located to Newburgh, NY in 1969. Founded—still owned and run by—David Plotkin, it is a steel design and fabrication company established in 1960. Over the years Steelways' success and longevity can be credited to their ability to diversify according to the needs of their vastly differing clients. Projects are both near—the Newburgh-Beacon Bridge—and far—Navy dry-docks in Pearl Harbor. Some notable projects include the replating of the Throgs Neck Bridge in New York City and the construction of many U.S. Navy vessels. Steelways, Inc. has also constructed and installed over 800 steel pool vessels in high-rise buildings across the tri-state area (New York, New Jersey, Connecticut).